

WILLIE MACK III (-3)

Q. Willie, good playing out there. Looked like you got it to 6 under and then the breeze maybe kicked up a little. Looked like it was pretty tough conditions coming in?

WILLIE MACK III: Yeah, I played here a million times and I've never seen the wind so consistent for two days all day long. Yeah, the back nine was kind of rough, but held it together a little bit and came in with an okay score.

Q. Your uncle had some shirts printed up that had your face on it and everything.

WILLIE MACK III: Right.

Q. Your name. How aware of your gallery were you out there? What was it like playing -- it's probably pretty different for you playing in front of that kind of a gallery?

WILLIE MACK III: Yeah, I heard some of my friends. I wasn't looking, but I know their voices, so I heard them. It's exciting to just be able to play in your hometown amongst friends and family. It was a fun two days.

Q. Were you aware of the cut line and where you stood and all that?

WILLIE MACK III: The last couple holes, I was. I looked on the last, I knew I had to at least get up and down. Hopefully it stays, but if not, I still had a good time.

Q. Are you going to sit around and pray for more wind this afternoon?

WILLIE MACK III: Right. We stopped at 9:00 last night and it was so windy still. Hopefully it will keep blowing.

Q. How much would making the cut mean to you?

WILLIE MACK III: It would be good. Just having that experience and confidence going into next week, to be able to play on the weekend in my hometown would be amazing.

Q. Do you know what the biggest tournament check you ever received was?

WILLIE MACK III: \$37,000.

Q. Twenty-one holes today. Can you kind of just walk us through what time you got to the course and then when you stopped and when you had to restart again?

WILLIE MACK III: I think I got here at 6:00. I had three holes left, I played 1 under, played pretty solid. I played good all day actually. I missed a lot of putts, so if those went in, it would have kind of been a different story. Other than that, like I said, I played pretty good.

Q. How much of a break was it between when you finished the first round and you started your second round?

WILLIE MACK III: I think I had like 25, maybe 30 minutes.

Q. How hard is that, just such a long day yesterday with the rain break, whatever, suspension, playing into the darkness. I mean, how much sleep do you get? How just brutal -- is this one of the more brutal stretches you had in golf for two days?

WILLIE MACK III: Yeah, I went to go get some food last night. I probably -- I think I got about three hours of sleep. I'm tired, but I think adrenaline kept me going and hopefully it can hold up for the next two days.

Q. Did you hit a lot of drivers today?

WILLIE MACK III: Yeah, I hit a lot of drivers. The course plays different than when I play it. Some of the holes are longer, and it's wet. Other than that, I hit the driver good, putted good, but just missed a couple putts.

Q. I just wanted to follow up. You talk about your family and friends being here, but what specifically did your mom or your dad being here mean for you? Did it give you like some sort of comfort knowing they were here?

WILLIE MACK III: Yeah, for sure. First PGA TOUR event they've been do. I played in two this year, but COVID, they couldn't come. Them just being here was special.

Q. Then you talked about the wind a little bit, too, because on hole 7 I think you hit it all the way by the Rolex sign, were able to get out of that for a bogey. Having to deal with those challenges, what was that like today?

WILLIE MACK III: Yeah, out of the rough you really can't turn it like you want to, but that was just a bad three-putt. I should have made par there, but could have been worse.